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3. A corporation is a "citizen" within the meaning of both these

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5. The attachment issued under the State process will hold the goods

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9. The case of Ableman vs. Booth, 21 How. U. S. 506, approved and followed.

10. The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has jurisdiction to review and correct the proceedings of inferior Courts, except where it is expressly excluded by statute, or in a case stated by the parties, wherein they agree to submit their disputes to auditors or referees without expressly reserving their right to a writ of error. Chase vs. Miller,

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13. The 155th section of the Act of 2d July, 1839, giving to Courts of Quarter Sessions the same powers that are conferred on committees of the Legislature, to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of papers in contested elections, is only a grant of power for the specific purposes named, and does not make the decision of the Court below, like that of the Legislature, final and conclusive. Id.

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4. A request on the part of defendant for an instruction to the jury, "That if the negligence of the deceased" (plaintiff) "in any way contributed to cause the collision, which resulted in his death, plaintiff cannot recover," contains a legal proposition, "the true legal rule of the case, and he was entitled to have it given to the jury, substantially as he	

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asked it, without qualification, or to have it plainly refused." Per Gould, J. Wilds vs. Hudson River Railroad Co.,

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5. The danger at the crossing of a railroad and street at grade is one which travellers are as much bound to guard against as the railway company, and the negligence of the company will not excuse or qualify the duty of watchfulness on the part of the traveller. Per Gould, J. Id.

6. A request on the part of defendant, to charge the jury, that if the deceased was aware of the approach of the train, before he drove upon the track, and voluntarily drove upon it after being so aware of its approach, he cannot recover, should be answered in the affirmative. Per Gould J. Id.

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8. A., being the owner of real estate situated upon a street in a city, contracted with B. to erect a building thereon, which included an excavation of the sidewalk adjoining. Excavations of a dangerous character were made by the contractor, to which the attention of A. was called by the city. The city knew of the excavation of this and similar areas, and interposed no objection, though no express permission to make this one was given. C. fell into the unprotected area and was injured. He brought an action against the city to recover damages. A. had knowledge of the action, but was not expressly notified to defend it; nor was he informed that the city would look to him for indemnity. A judgment was recovered against the city, which it was compelled to pay. In an action by the city against A., to be reimbursed the amount which it had paid under the judgment, Held, assuming that C. was injured through the fault of A., and that the city was not a wrongdoer, A. is concluded by the judgment recovered against the city. No express notice to him of the pendency of the action was necessary. It is enough that he knew it was pending, and could have defended it. Chicago vs. Robbins,

9. The excavation, though not a nuisance in itself, became such on account of the improper manner in which it was made. The city is not, however, for that reason a wrongdoer, in such a sense as to lose its right of action against A. No license from the city to leave the area open and

unguarded can be presumed. Id.

10. The defendant was under an obligation to have the work done in such a way as to save the city from damage and the public from harm. He cannot escape liability by letting out the work to a contractor. The work having been done in such a manner as to render the city liable in the first instance, the defendant is answerable to it for the amount which it was compelled to pay. Id.

11. The case of Hilliard vs. Richardson, 3 Gray 349, distinguished, and the case of Scammon vs. The City of Chicago, 25 Illinois 424, so far

as it conflicts with these principles, overruled. Id.

12. Plaintiff, a carman, was sent to defendants' premises to receive certain goods, which were usually handed to him out of a room or door in a passage. After waiting some time, he inquired of the defendants' gatekeeper for the warehouseman. The gatekeeper directed him to enter at a certain door, and follow the passage in a certain direction, and he would meet the warehouseman. Plaintiff followed the direction, and in going along the passage, which was dark, fell down through the wellhole of a staircase into an underground part of the premises. An action having been brought by plaintiff he was nonsuited, and on a rule to set it aside, it was held, that the nonsuit was rightly directed, on the ground that if it was so dark that plaintiff could not see, he ought not to have proceeded without a light; and if it was sufficiently light for him to see, he might have avoided the staircase, which was a very different thing from a hole or a trapdoor down which a man might fall. Wilkinson vs. Fairrie et al., . 242

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